



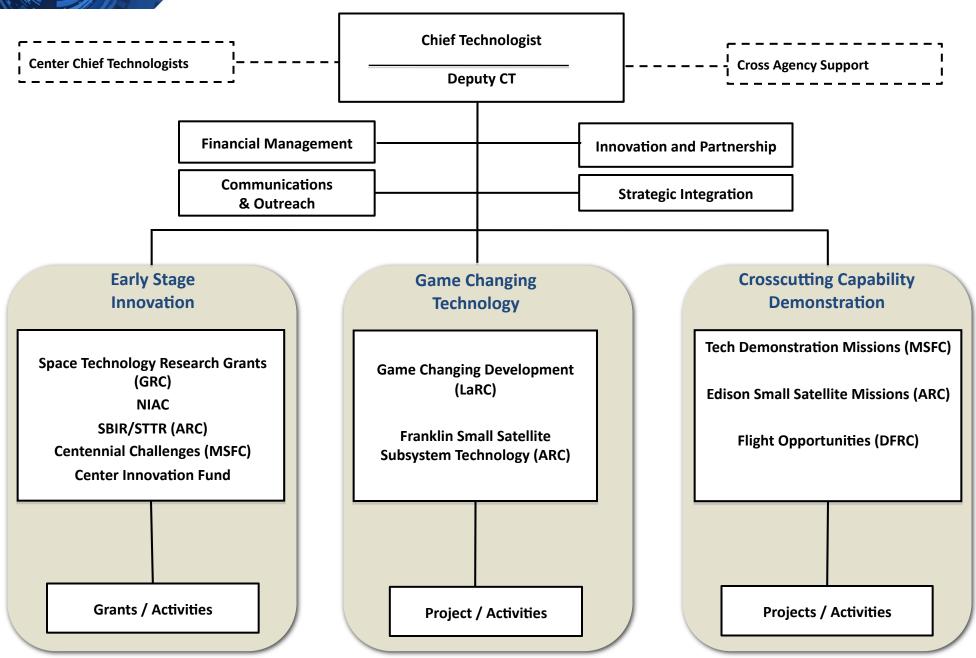


- Space Technology is a budget line in the FY11 and FY12 President's request for NASA
  - Consists of 10 technology development and innovation programs that are broadly applicable to the Agency's aeronautics, science and exploration enterprises
  - Managed by Office of the Chief Technologist (OCT)
- OCT has chosen to manage these 10 programs through the formation of 3 Divisions
  - Early Stage Innovation
  - Game Changing Technology
  - Crosscutting Capability Demonstrations
- Space Technology builds on the success of NASA's Innovative Partnerships Program (IPP)
  - In FY11, IPP is integrated into Office of the Chief Technologist and the IPP budget is integrated into the Space Technology Program
- Formulation of the Space Technology program is complete
  - Formally approved by the NASA Administrator at July 29, 2010 Acquisition Strategy Planning meeting



## Office of the Chief Technologist Organization







## **Space Technology: A Different Approach**



- Strategic Guidance
  - Agency Strategic Plan
  - Grand challenges
  - Technology roadmaps
- Full spectrum of technology programs that provide an infusion path to advance innovative ideas from concept to flight
- Competitive peer-review and selection
  - Competition of ideas building an open community of innovators for the Nation
- Projectized approach to technology development
  - Defined start and end dates
  - Project Managers with full authority and responsibility
  - Project focus in selected set of strategically defined capability areas
- Overarching goal is to re-position NASA on the cutting-edge
  - Technical rigor
  - Pushing the boundaries
  - Take informed risk; when we fail, fail fast and learn in the process
  - Seek disruptive innovation
  - Foster an emerging commercial space industry

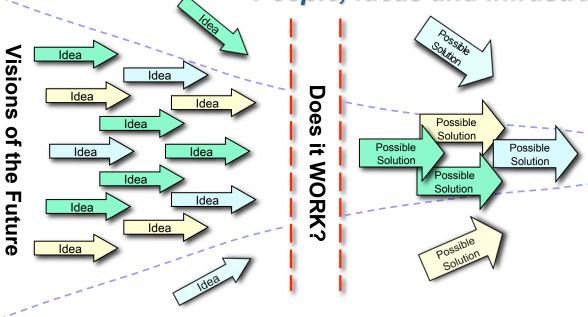


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Academia
Gov't

## **Space Technology: A Different Approach**



# Engaging the Nation's Resources: People, Ideas and Infrastructure



Infusion
Opportunities
for NASA
Mission
Directorates,
Other Govt.
Agencies, and
Industry



Creative ideas regarding future NASA systems or solutions to national needs.



Prove feasibility of novel, early-stage ideas with potential to revolutionize a future NASA mission and/or fulfill national need.



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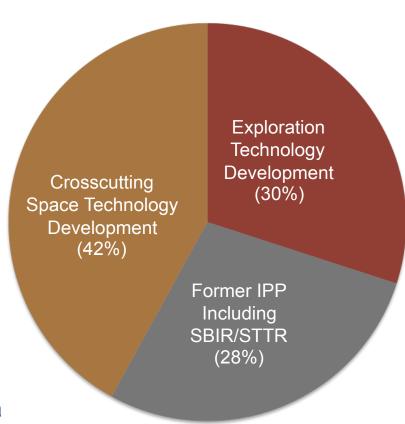
Mature crosscutting capabilities that advance multiple future space missions to flight readiness status



## **Proposed FY 2012 Space Technology Budget**



- In FY 2012, Space Technology is proposed at approx.
   5% of the President's \$18.7B request for NASA.
- The \$1024M for Space Technology in FY 2012 includes:
  - The SBIR/STTR program and related technology transfer and commercialization activities (\$284M) funded in FY 2010 through NASA's Innovative Partnership Program
  - Movement of a majority of the Exploration Technology
     Development and Demonstration activities (\$310M) from
     the Exploration Systems Mission Directorate
  - The Crosscutting technology development activities (\$430M) proposed as part of the President's FY 2011 request.
- All of the Space Technology programs have been carefully formulated over the past year, and have deep roots in technology development approaches NASA has pursued in previous years.
- The FY 2012 request for Space Technology provides a modest increase above the level projected in the NASA Authorization Act of 2010, consistent with the Administration's priority on federal investments in research, technology and innovation across the Nation.
  - The FY2012 request for Space Technology compares with approximately \$800 million projected for these same activities in 2012 in the NASA Authorization Act of 2010



NASA FY2012 Proposed Space Technology Budget (\$1024M)



## NASA Technology Integration Governance



## **NASA Technology Executive Council**

- The NASA Technology Executive Council (NTEC) is organized and chaired by the NASA Office of the Chief Technologist.
- Council membership includes the Mission Directorate AAs (or their designees), and the NASA Chief Engineer (or designee).
- The function of NTEC is to perform Agency-level technology integration, coordination and strategic planning
- 6 Meetings completed

## **Center Technology Council**

- The Center Technology Council (CTC) is organized and chaired by the NASA Office of the Chief Technologist.
- Council membership includes the Center Chief Technologist (CCT) from each NASA Center, and a representative from OCE.
- The CTC will focus upon institutionally funded activities and development of OCT programs.
- 9 Meetings completed
- Center CTs:
  - John Hines (ARC)
  - Peter Hughes (GSFC)

- Ramona Travis (SSC)

- Karen Thompson (KSC)
- David Voracek (DFRC) Howard Ross (GRC)
- Jonas Zmuidzinas (JPL) -
- Rich Antcliff (LaRC)
- John Saiz (JSC)
- Andrew Keys (MSFC)



## **Space Technology Drivers**



Strategic Guidance:

Strategic Plan



**Technology Roadmaps** 



**Grand Challenges** 



US Space Policy





National Needs

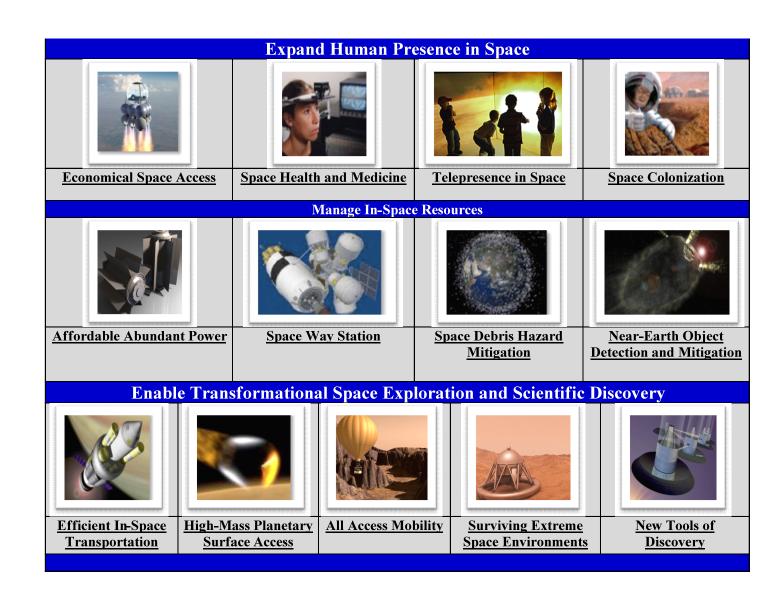


## **Space Technology Grand Challenges**



A set of important space-related problems that must be solved to efficiently and economically achieve our missions.

The Grand Challenges and ST Roadmaps will be used to prioritize the technology portfolio with an eye towards NASA's future



http://www.nasa.gov/offices/oct/strategic\_integration/grand\_challenges\_detail.html



## NASA Space Technology Roadmap Motivation



- Historically NASA contributed significantly to the advancement of technologies to meet both NASA missions and fuel the Nation's high tech economy
- More recently, funding and strategic guidance for NASA technology programs over the past two decades have endured repeated change cycles
- In Order for NASA to more effectively and efficiently develop space technologies moving forward, it is necessary to establish a sustained set of clearly identified and prioritized technology development goals
- The NASA Space Technology Roadmap, drafted by NASA, and reviewed and vetted for technology investment identification and prioritization by the NRC, will serve NASA as a decadal-like survey, to provide sustained technology investment goals.



## Space Technology Roadmaps Technology Area Breakdown Structure







LAUNCH PROPULSION SYSTEMS





**SCIENCE INSTRUMENTS, OBSERVATORIES & SENSOR SYSTEMS** 





 IN-SPACE PROPULSION **TECHNOLOGIES** 









 SPACE POWER & ENERGY **STORAGE** 



NANOTECHNOLOGY





 ROBOTICS, TELE-ROBOTICS & **AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS** 



 MODELING, SIMULATION, INFORMA-TION TECHNOLOGY & PROCESSING





COMMUNICATION & NAVIGATION





 MATERIALS, STRUCTURES, MECHAN-**ICAL SYSTEMS & MANUFACTURING** 



 HUMAN HEALTH, LIFE SUPPORT & **HABITATION SYSTEMS** 





 GROUND & LAUNCH SYSTEMS **PROCESSING** 



 HUMAN EXPLORATION DESTINA-TION SYSTEMS



THERMAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS



## **Space Technology Roadmap Process**



#### **NASA Process** NRC Process 8: DRAFT NASA STRs A: Establish NRC Teams OCT released draft Space Technology Roadmaps NRC to appoint steering committee and 6 panels to the NRC & to the Public 7: Internal Reviews **B: Identify Common Assessment Approach** Each TA Roadmap reviewed by OCT NRC to establish a set of criteria to enable & extended teams of subject experts prioritization within and among all TAs 6: Roadmapping Process Nov. **C: Initial Community Feedback** Preliminary roadmaps for TA areas Dec. 2010 NRC to solicit external input from 2010 industry & academia 5: Form Starting Point for TA Roadmaps Assessed past roadmaps; D: Additional Community Feedback MD & Center inputs $(\mathbf{i})$ NRC to conduct public workshops Mar. 4: Common Approach for TA Teams 2011 **E:** Deliberations by NRC Panels Guidelines, assumptions, deliverables NRC panels meet individually to prioritize technologies and suggest 3: Establish TA Teams improvements to roadmaps OCT established NASA internal Apr. F: Documentation by NRC Panels 2010 6-member subject expert teams Sep. NRC Panels to provide written summary for each TA, with one or two chairs 2011 to Steering Committee 2: Identify Technology Areas **G: NRC Interim Findings** Identified Technology Areas (TAs) NRC to release a brief interim report that addresses Spring high-level issues associated with the roadmaps, Jan. 1: START & Input from MDs & Center 2012 2012 such as the advisability of modifying the number Identified MD Goals, Missions, or technical focus of the draft NASA roadmaps 9: FINAL NASA H: FINAL NRC REPORT Architectures & Timelines:

## NASA Space Technology Roadmaps Process

With decisional information, including: summary of findings and recommendations for each of the roadmaps; integrated outputs from the workshops and panels; identify key common threads and issues; priorities, by group (e.g., high, medium, low), of the highest priority technologies from the TAs

MD Technology Roadmaps & Prioritizations;

Center Technology Focus Areas

**STR REPORT** 

NASA to release

Roadmap Report

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## **Technology Area Breakdown Structure**



National Aeronautics and Space Administration













TA02 · IN-SPACE PROPULSION

TECHNOLOGIES

Liquid Stomble

CHEMICAL PROPULSION

Liquid Cryogenic

Cold Gas/Warm Gas

Solar Sail Propulsion

Thermal Propulsion

NON-CHEMICAL PROPULSION

ADWINGED (TRL <3) PROPULSION

High Energy Density Materials

Engine Health Monitoring & Safety

Chemical (Fuel Cells, Heat Engines)

Solar (Photo-Voltaic & Thermal

Propellant Storage & Transfer

Materials & Manufacturing

Beamed Energy Propulsion

Electric Sail Propulsion

Antimatter Propulsion

Breakthrough Propulsion

SUPPORTING TECHNOLOGIES

Fusion Propulsion

Advanced Fission

Technologies

Power Generation

Energy Harvesting

Radioisotope

Fission

Micro-propulsion

Electric Propulsion

TECHNOLOGIES



## SYSTEMS

### SOUD ROCKET PROPULSION Systems

- Case Materials Norde Sestems Hybrid Rocket Propulsion
- · Fundamental Solid Propulsion Technologies

### LIQUID ROCKET PROPULSION Systems

- LH./LOX Bused RP/LOX Based CH /LOX Based Detonation Wave Engines (Closed Cycle) Propellants
- Fundamental Liquid Propulsion Technologies AIR BREATHING PROPULSION

#### Systems TBCC

- RBCC
- · Detonation Wave Engines (Open Cycle) Turbine Based Jet Engines
- (Flyback Boosters) Ramjet/Scramjet Engines (Accelerators)
  - Heat Rejection TAO3 • SPACE POWER & ENERGY STORAGE
- Deeply-cooled Air Cycles Air Collection & Enrichment System
- Fundamental Air Breathing Propulsion Technologies

## ANCILLARY PROPULSION

 Auxiliary Control Systems Main Propulsion Systems (Excluding Engines)

UNCONVENTIONAL / OTHER

 Beamed Energy / Energy Addition

High Energy Density

Materials/Propellants

Nuclear

- Fusion Launch Abort Systems **ENERGY STORAGE**
- Thrust Vector Control Systems Batteries Health Management & Flywheels Regenerative Fuel Cells
- Pyro-& Separation Systems POWER MANAGEMENT & DISTRIBUTION Propulsion Technologies

### FDIR

- Management & Control Propulsion Systems Distribution & Transmission Ground Launch Assist Wireless Power Transmission Air Launch / Drop Systems Conversion & Regulation Space Tether Assist
  - CROSS CUTTING TECHNOLOGY
  - Analytical Tools Green Energy Impact
  - Multi-functional Structures Alternative Fuels

### TA04 \*ROBOTICS, TELE-ROBOTICS & AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS

### SENSING & PERCEPTION

- LIDAR Proximity Sensing Sensing Non-Geometric Terrain
- Properties Estimating Terrain Mechanical Properties
- Tactile Sensing Arrays Gravity Sensors & Celestial Nav. Terrain Relative Navigation Real-time Self-calibrating of Hand-eye Systems

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- Simultaneous Localiz. & Mapping Hazard Detection Algorithms Active Illumination
- 3-D Path Planning w/ Uncertainty Long-life Extr. Enviro, Mechanisms Robotic Jet Backpacks
- Robot Swarms Walking in Micro-g
- MANIPULATION · Motion Planning Alg., High DOF Sensing & Control Robot Arms (light, high strong Dexterous Manipul, Robot Hands
- Sensor Fusion for Grasping Grasp Planning Algorithms Robotic Drilling Mechanisms

### Multi-arm / Finger Manipulation Planning with Uncertainty HUMAN-SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

- Crew Decision Support Systems Immersive Visualization Distributed Collaboration Multi Agent Coordination
- Haptic Displays Displaying Range Data to Humans Антомому
- Spacecraft Control Systems Vehicle Health, Prog/Diag Systems
- Human Life Support Systems Planning/Scheduling Resources Operations Integrated Systems Health
- FDIR & Diagnosis System Monitoring & Prognosi V&V of Complex Adaptive Sys's Automated Software Generation Software Reliability Semi Automatic System

## Auton, Rendezvous & Docking

- Rendezvous and Capture Low impact & Androgenous Docking Systems & Interfaces Relative Navigation Sensors Robust AR&D GN&C Algorithms
- Onboard Mission Manager AR&D Integration & Standardiz.n

### RTA Systems Engineering Human safety

- Refueling Interfaces & Assoc. Tools Modular / Serviceable Interfaces High Perf., Low Power Onboard omputers Environment Tolerance
- Thermal Control Robot-to-Suit Interfaces Common Human-Robot Interfaces Crew Self Sufficiency

## TA05 COMMUNICATION

### OPTICAL COMM. & NAVISATION

- Detector Development Large Apertures Lasers
- Acquisition & Tracking Atmospheric Mitigation

### RADIO FREQUENCY COMMUNICATIONS

- Spectrum Efficient Technologies Power Efficient Technologies Propagation
- Flight & Ground Systems Earth Launch & Reentry Comm.
- INTERNETWORKING
- Disruptive Tolerant Networking Adaptive Network Topology Information Assurance
- Integrated Network Management
- POSITION, NAVIGATION, AND TIMING Timekeeping
- Time Distribution Onboard Auto Navigation & Maneuver Sensors & Vision Processing Systems Relative & Proximity Navigation
- Auto Precision Formation Flying Auto Approach & Landing

### INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES

- Radio System Ultra Wideband
- Cognitive Networks
- Science from the Comm. System Hybrid Optical Comm. & Nav. Sensors RF/Optical Hybrid Technology

### REVOLUTIONARY CONCEPTS

- X-Ray Navigation X-Ray Communications Neutrino-Based Navigation & Tracking
- Quantum Key Distribution antum Communications
- SOIF Microwave Amplifier Reconfigurable Large Apertures

## TAO6 : HUMAN HEALTH, HABITATION SYSTEMS

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL & LIFE

## SUPPORT SYSTEMS & HABITATION SYS.

- Air Revitalization Water Recovery & Management Waste Management
- Habitation

## EXTRAVEHICULAR ACTIVITY SYSTEMS

Pressure Garment Portable Life Support System

#### Power, Avionics and Software HUMAN HEALTH & PERFORMANCE

Medical Diagnosis / Prognosis Long-Duration Health Behavioral Health & Performance

#### Human Factors & Performance ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING, SAFETY & EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Sensors: Air. Water. Microbial, etc. Fire: Detection, Suppression Protective Clothing / Breathing Remediation

### BADIATION

- Risk Assessment Modeling Radiation Mitigation Protection Systems
- Space Weather Prediction Monitoring Technology

### TA07 : HUMAN EXPLORATION DESTINATION SYSTEMS

### In-Situ Resource Utilization

- Destination Reconnaissance. Prospecting, & Mapping Resource Acquisitie
- Consumables Production Manufacturing & Infrastructure Emplacement SUSTAINABILITY &

### SUPPORTABILITY

- Logistics Systems aintenance Systems
- Repair Systems "ADVANCED" HUMAN MOBILITY Systems
- EVA Mobilire Surface Mobility Off-Surface Mobility
- "ADVANCED" HABITAT SYSTEMS Integrated Habitat Systems
- Habitat Evolution MISSION OPERATIONS & SAFETY
- Crew Training Environmental Protection Remote Mission Operations
- Planetary Safety CROSS-CUTTING SYSTEMS
- Modeling, Simulations & Destination Characterization Construction & Assembly
- Dust Prevention & Mitigation

### TAO8 \*SCIENCE INSTRUMENTS. **OBSERVATORIES & SENSOR** SYSTEMS

### REMOTE SENSING INSTRUMENTS / SENSORS.

- Detectors & Focal Planes
- Optical Compos
- Microwave / Radio Lasers

### Cryogenic / Thermal OBSERVATORIES

- Micror Systems
- Distributed Aperture
- IN-SITU INSTRUMENTS / SENSOR Particles: Charged & Neutral
- Fields & Waves





### TA11 · MODELING, SIMULATION, INFORMATION MODELING, SIMULA-TECHNOLOGY & PROCESSING

#### Сомештия

TA09 : ENTRY, DESCENT &

AEROASSIST & ATMOSPHERIC ENTRY

Rigid Thermal Protection Systems

Rigid Hypersonic Decelerators

Entry Modeling & Simulation

Attached Deployable Decelerators

Trailing Deployable Decelerators

Descent Modeling & Simulation

Egress & Deployment Systems

Landing Modeling & Simulation

System Integration & Analyses

Atmosphere & Surface Characterization

ENGINEERED MATERIALS & STRUCTURES

Thermal Protection & Control

ENERGY GENERATION & STORAGE

NANOTECHNOLOGY

VEHICLE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY

Supersonic Retropropulsion

GN&C Sensors

Touchdown Systems

Large Body GN&C

Small Body Systems

Architecture Analyses

Separation Systems

Lightweight Structures
 Darrage Tolerant Systems

Coutings

Adhesives

Energy Storage

Propellants

PROPULSION

**Energy Generation** 

Propulsion Components

SENSORS, ELECTRONICS & DEVICES

In-Space Propulsion

Sensors & Actuators

Nanoelectronics

Miniature Instruments

DESCENT

LANDING

Flexible Thermal Protection Systems

Deployable Hypersonic Decelerators

Instrumentation & Health Monitoring

Flight Computing

#### Ground Computing Modeung

- Software Modeling & Model-Checking Integrated Hardware & Software Modeling Human-System Performance Modeling
- Science & Engineering Modeling Frameworks, Languages, Tools & Standards

### SIMULATION

- Distributed Simulation Integrated System Lifecycle Simulation
  - Simulation-Based Systems Engineering Simulation-Based Training & Decision Support Systems
- Інголимпон Реосезвіна Science, Engineering & Mission Data Lifecycle
- Intelligent Data Understanding Semantic Technologies
- Collaborative Science & Engineering Advanced Mission System

## TA12 \* MATERIALS, STRUC-TURES, MECHANICAL SYSTEMS & MANUFACTURING

- Lightweight Structure
- Flexible Material Systems
- Special Materials

### STRUCTURES

- Lightweight Concepts Design & Certification Methods
- Test Tools & Methods Innovative, Multifunctional Concepts

### MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

- Deployables, Docking and Interfaces Mechanism Life Extension Systems
- Electro-mechanical, Mechanical & Micromechanisms Design & Analysis Tools and Methods Reliability / Life Assessment / Health
- Monitoring Certification Methods

### Мамирастивно Manufacturing Processes

Intelligent Integrated Manufacturing and Cyber Physical Systems Electronics & Optics Manufacturing Process Sustainable Manufacturing

### CROSS-CUTTING

- Nondestructive Evaluation & Sensors Model-Based Certification & Sustainment Methods
- Loads and Environments

## TA13 : GROUND & SYSTEMS PROCESSING

### TECHNOLOGIES TO OPTIMIZE THE OPERATIONAL LIFE-CYCLE

- Storage, Distribution & Conservation of Fluids
- Automated Alignment, Coupling, & Assembly Systems
- Autonomous Command & Conesol for Ground and Integrated Vehicle/Ground Systems

#### ENVIRONMENTAL AND GREEN TECHNOLOGIES

- · Corresion Prevention, Detection. & Mitigation
- Environmental Remediation & Site Restoration Preservation of Natural Ecosystems

### Alternate Energy Prototypes TECHNOLOGIES TO INCREASE RELI-

- ABILITY AND MISSION AVAILABILITY Advanced Launch Technologies Environment-Hardened Materials
- and Structures Inspection, Anomaly Detection
- & Identification Fault Isolation and Diagnostics
- Prognostics Technologie Repair, Mitigation, and Recovery Technologies Communications, Networking

### Timing & Telemetry TECHNOLOGIES TO IMPROVE MIS-

- SION SAFETY/MISSION RISK Range Tracking, Surveillance & Flight Safety Technologies
- Landing & Recovery Systems &
  - Weather Prediction and Mitigation Robotics / Televolotics

## TA14 THERMAL MANAGEMENT

## SYSTEMS

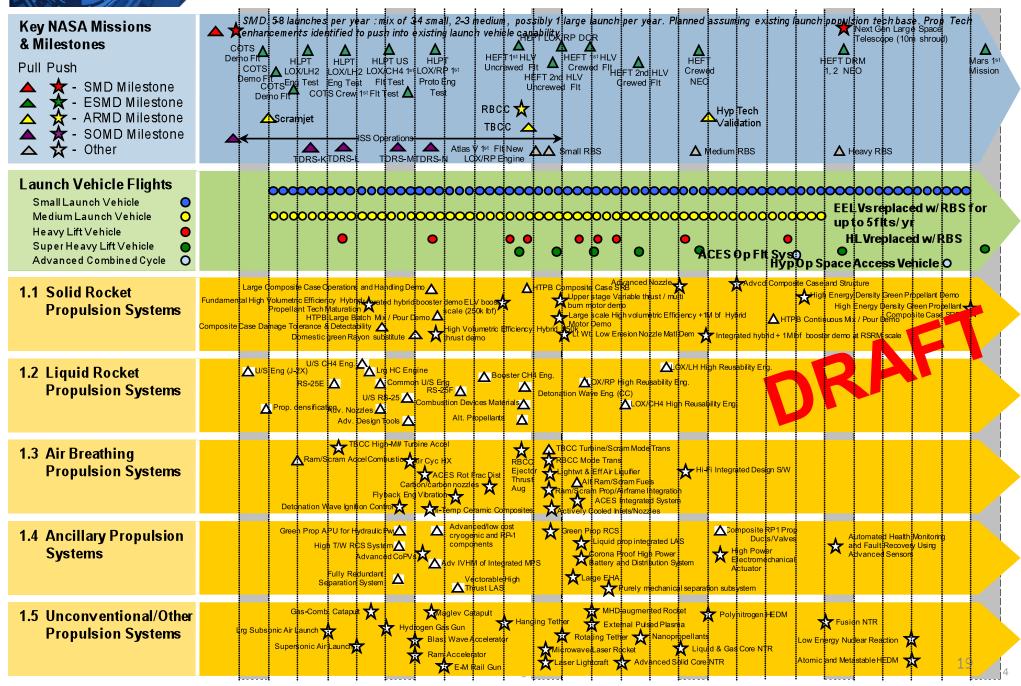
Safety Systems

- CRYOGENIC SYSTEMS · Passive Thermal Control
- Active Thermal Control Integration & Modeling
- THERMAL CONTROL SYSTEMS Heat Acquisition Heat Transfer
- Heat Rejection & Energy Storage THERMAL PROTECTION SYSTEMS Entry / Ascent TPS
- Plume Shielding (Convective & Radiative) Sensor Systems & Measurement Technologies

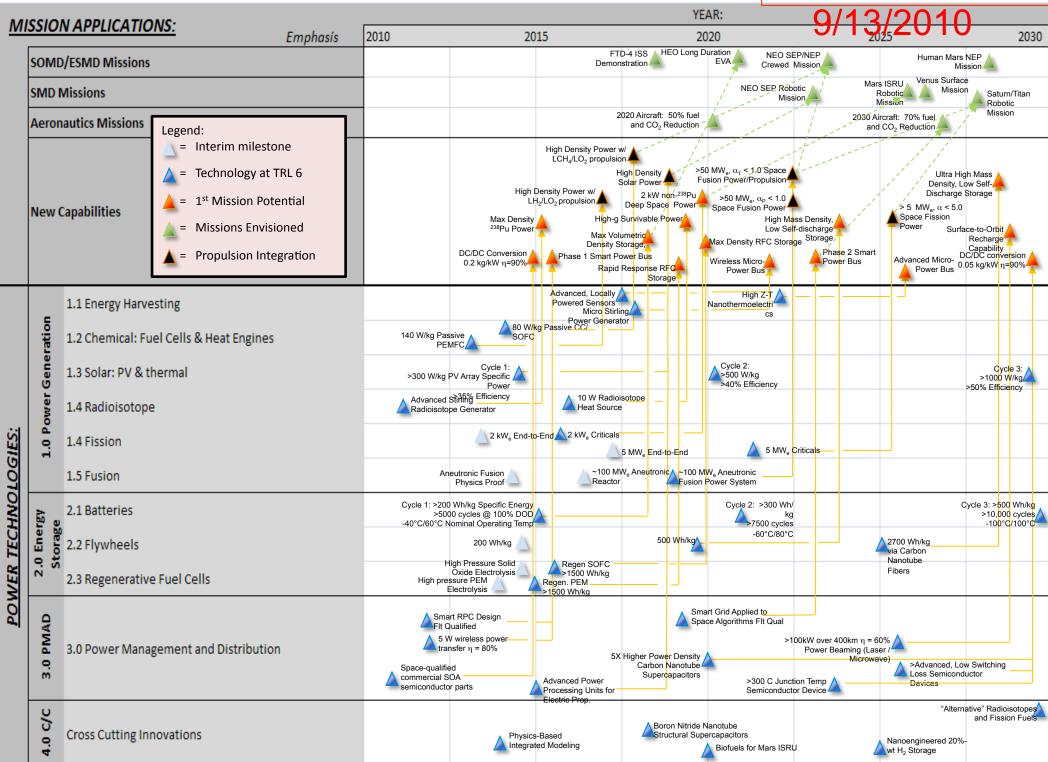
## Space Technology Roadmaps STR • TABS TECHNOLOGY AREA BREAKDOWN STRUCTURE

# EXAMPLE - TA01: Launch Propulsion Systems Technology Roadmap



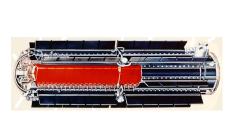


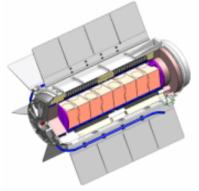
## EXAMPLE - TA03: Power and Energy Storage Roadman RAFT:



# **EXAMPLE - TA03: Power Generation: Radioisotope Power Systems**







## **State-of-Practice Systems**

- SOP Systems: GPHS RTG, MMRTG
- Performance Capabilities:
  - 6-8% efficiency,
  - Specific Power 3-5 W/kg,
  - Life: > 15 years
- Applications:
  - Outer Planet spacecraft, Mars Rovers
- Limitations: Low efficiency and heavy





ASRG 8 W/kg, 30%

ARTG 8 W/kg, 10-15%

**TPV 8 W/kg, 15%** 

## **Advanced Radioisotope Power Systems**

- Capabilities: High Efficiency: > 28% Specific
   Power: > 8 We/Kg; Life > 14 years
- Challenges: High efficiency power conversion systems with very long life capability.
- Status: SMD is developing advanced RPSs for future space science missions.
- Potential Space Applications: Outer Planet Flagship missions (Up to 1 kWe) & Rovers, (1 - 2 kWe)

Enables nuclear powered outer planetary science and Mars rover

## **EXAMPLE - TA03: Where NASA Can Make a Difference**



## **NASA-led Activities and Major Support Areas**



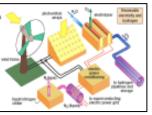




In Green Energy









**NASA Support of Projects Led** 



Solar Photovoltaic & Solar **Thermal Systems** 

**Biofuels & Biomass** 

**Green Aviation** 

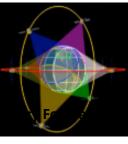
Nuclear Subsystems

**Energy Storage &** Distribution

Wind Hydrogen Utilization

**NASA Leadership** 

**Support or Monitoring** 





**Expertise** 



by DOE and Others

**Carbon Mitigation** 











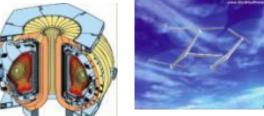


**Geothermal** 

**Space Solar Power** 

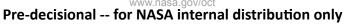
**Advanced Nuclear &** 

**Energetics** 





**OCT Draft Roadmap Review** September 15-16, 2010





Green

**Transportation** 

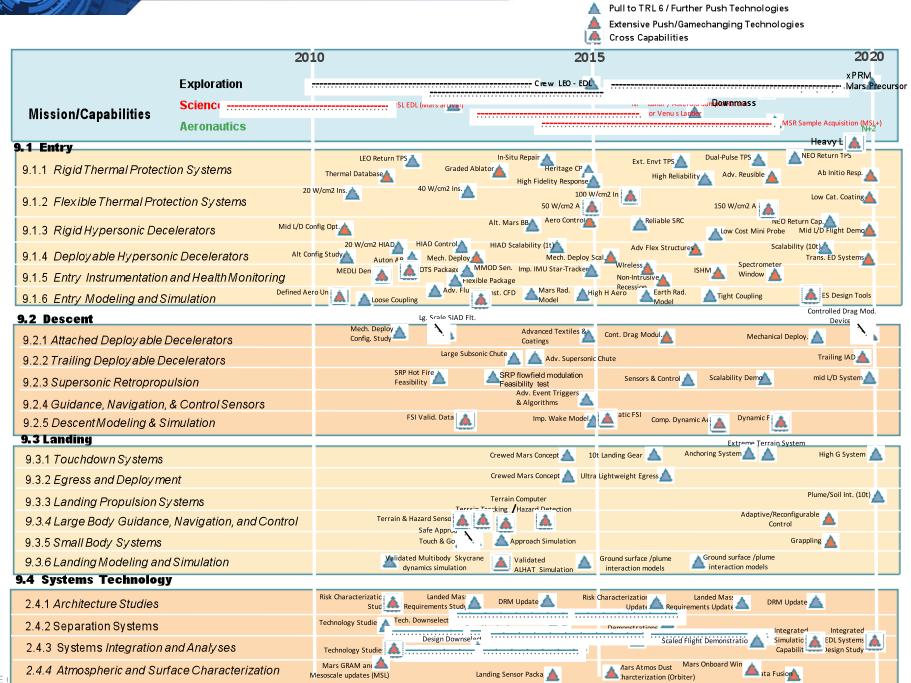
Efficiency & Co-Generation



Wave, Tidal & Ocean

# EDL Roadmap





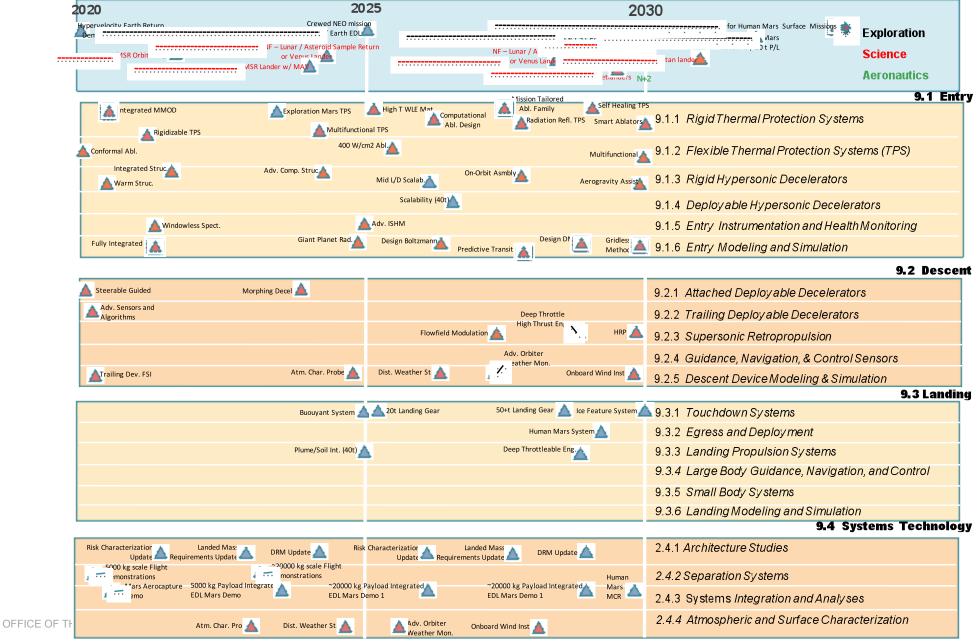
# EDL Roadmap



Pull to TRL 6 / Further Push Technologies

Extensive Push/Gamechanging Technologies

Cross Capabilities





## **Entry: Major Elements**



## Entry Systems

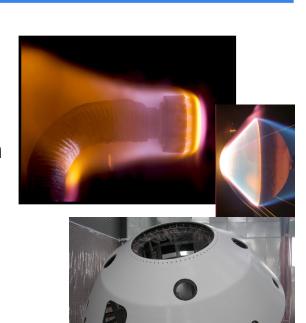
- Major technology advances to the current SOA required for several missions, notably high speed Earth return, human exploration of Mars, giant planet probes, and high reliability systems for human and sample return missions
- Significant enhancement to the current SOA possible for other missions, including Mars, Venus and Titan exploration, crewed and robotic Earth entry, and low cost access to space

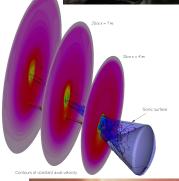
## Aerocapture

 No major technology developments identified that preclude a flight demonstration at Earth or another planet other than mission-specific requirements shared with Entry Systems.

## Aerobraking

 Established technology at Mars and Venus. Significant advances to SOA possible by automating the process (less human in the loop), and by development of hightemperature solar panels.









## **Entry: Major Technological Challenges**



- Wide range of destination and mission specific requirements necessitate a range of parallel investments. There is no "one size fits all" solution
- Availability and suitability of ground facilities for testing and validation (to be discussed later in this briefing)
- Long term retention of critical EDL-unique skill sets (including training the next generation of EDL engineers)
- Likely requirement for system level validation via flight test of many of the considered technologies

The inability to "test as you fly" in most cases puts additional pressure on high fidelity physics-based simulation capability as a critical link in ground-to-flight traceability. Robust investment in improved physics-based performance models is critical to ensuring system robustness and reliability.

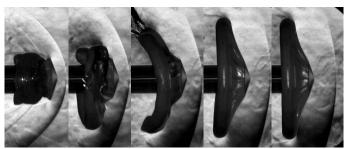
1.0 Aeroassist & Entry 1.1 Rigid Thermal **Protection Systems** 1.2 Flexible Thermal Protection Systems 1.3 Rigid Hypersonic Decelerators 1.4 Deployable Hypersonic Decelerators 1.5 Instrumentation and Health Monitoring 1.6 Entry Modeling and Simulation

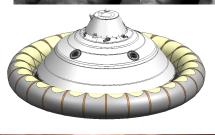


## **Descent: Key Technology Areas**



- Attached Deployable Decelerators
  - Both inflated and mechanically deployed
  - Adv coatings and textiles
- Trailing Deployable Decelerators
  - Large subsonic parachutes (Mars application)
  - Adv supersonic parachutes
- Supersonic Retropropulsion
  - Flowfield modulation
  - Deep throttle, high-thrust propulsion
- GN&C Sensors
  - Adv triggers for staging
  - On board atmosphere/wind sensing











## **Landing: Key Technology Areas**



- Surface sensing
  - Terrain tracking
  - Hazard location determination
- Descent propulsion
  - Deeply-throttled efficient rocket motors (TA-02)
  - Plume-surface interaction mitigation and modeling
- Touchdown systems
  - Energy absorption
  - Stability
  - High-G survivable systems
  - Egress and deployment systems
- Small body guidance











- Successful EDL capabilities require comprehensive and integrated technology solutions at the component, sub-system and system level
  - Significant technology development challenges will exist for new EDL staging/ separation systems and vehicle level integration of individual technological capabilities
  - EDL on atmospheric bodies is significantly impacted by knowledge and characterization of atmospheric profile variations and persistence
- Technology Area Separated into Three Categories
  - Separation Systems
  - Vehicle Technology
  - Atmospheric Modeling and Surface Characterization

# Part of a Broader National Strategy



- Technological leadership is the "Space Race" of the 21st Century: Space Technology is the central NASA contribution to revitalize research, technology and innovation for the Nation
- Enabling Our Future in Space: Invest in high payoff, disruptive technology that industry cannot tackle today, to support NASA science and exploration while providing capabilities and lowering the cost of other government agencies and commercial space activities
- NASA at the Cutting Edge: Pushing the boundaries of aeroscience and taking informedrisk, Space Technology keeps NASA and our Nation at the cutting-edge
- Engage Innovators across the Nation: Select development teams across academia, industry, and the NASA Centers based on technical merit.
- **Investments in our Future**: In FY 2012, the President's Budget Request for Space Technology is approximately 5% of the President's \$18.7B request for NASA.
- NASA makes a difference in our lives everyday: In addition to providing a more vital and productive aerospace future, by investing in Space Technology, NASA will continue to make a difference in our lives everyday.